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REFS (A) TEL AVIV 6261 (B) STATE 225486

1. IN INTEREST OF PREVENTING ANY INCIDENTS DURING
TIME OF DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON, REQUEST WE BE
AUTHORIZED INFORM AMOCO-EGYPT THAT (A) DISCUSSIONS
WILL TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON BEGINNING THURSDAY,
AND (B) ISRAELIS TURNED DOWN OUR SPECIFIC REQUEST
NOT TO INTERFERE WITH IMMEDIATE AMOCO ACTIVITY AT 304-1 IN ORDER
PERMIT DRILLING BEFORE SEPTEMBER 21ST.
CRAIG SHOULD, THEREFORE, MAINTAIN SCRUPULOUS
CONTROL OVER ANY ACTIVITY IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA
UNTIL HE HAS FURTHER WORD FROM US. BELIEVE SUCH
INFORMATION ALSO NECESSARY SO THAT HE CAN BEGIN WHATEVER
PROCESS NECESSARY CONTACT EGYPTIANS REGARDING
HIS LEASE EXPIRATION.

2. (FYI) WITH REGARD TO MEETING SEPTEMBER 21 DEADLINE,
CRAIG HAS TOLD US THAT AS RESULT ISRAELI
DESTRUCTION OF LOCATION BUOYS AT SITE 304-1,
IT WOULD TAKE HIM PROBABLY MINIMUM THREE DAYS
TO PREPARE SITE AGAIN FOR DRILLING. END FYI.
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